## **Rules and Regulations 2024**

Upon entering the events held at Home Farm Shows, all riders are required to read our safety policy which is located at the Entries Tent and then sign to confirm understanding of the said policy. The Rules & Regulation Safety Policy can also be found on our Facebook page and website.

1. It is mandatory for all riders to wear a protective helmet at all times when mounted, with a chinstrap fastened and adjusted so as to prevent movement of the hat in the event of a fall.

The hat standards accepted as of 1st January 2023 are detailed in the table below:

Hat Standard	Safety Mark	Allowed at the following activities:
PAS 015: 2011* with BSI Kitemark	\\$	All activities
VG1 with BSI Kitemark	\\$	All activities
Snell E2016* onwards with the official Snell label and number	E2016 Guen	All activities
ASTM-F1163 2004a <b>onwards</b> with the SEI mark	<i>5E</i> )	All activities
AS/NZS 3838, 2006 onwards	Certified Product  Certified Pro	All activities

- 2. Body protectors are compulsory for all Cross-Country riding. However, we strongly recommend wearing a body protector at all times when mounted. If a body protector is worn for any Home Farm Show activity it must meet BETA 2018 Level 3 standard (blue and black label).
- 3. All under 18's must be with a responsible adult.
- 4. No stallions are permitted onsite.
- 5. No horses under the age of 4yrs to be ridden.
- 6. Judge's decision is final.
- 7. All horses must have their annual vaccinations to be on the show ground, passport spot checks in place.
- 8. Horses which are known to kick, must wear a red ribbon in the tail.
- 9. It is the rider's (guardians in case of minor) responsibility to ensure their skillset is compatible to the event in which they are entering.
- 10. Dogs must be kept on leads at all times. Retractable leads on the fixed setting only.

- 11. Horses not permitted in designated 'Horse Free' areas.
- 12.Only standard riding or jodhpur boots with a well-defined square cut heel may be worn.
- 13. Horses must be ridden in full tack at all times, no bareback permitted.
- 14. Any competitor who has a fall or sustains an injury anywhere on the competition site must seek the medical personnel on the day.
- 15.Organisers of this event have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all the officials and stewards.
- 16. Save for the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the organisers of this event nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies, nor the landlord or his tenant, accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any other person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence breach of contract or in any other way whatsoever. Entries are only accepted on this basis.
- 17. The Official Steward or Chief Judge may disqualify a competitor at any stage of the competition for: \* dangerous riding \* if, in their opinion, the horse is lame, sick or exhausted \* misuse of whip, spur or bit \* ill-treatment of the horse \* breach of the rules \* unseemly behaviour, including bad language.
- 18. Competitors must exercise their horse/pony in the area provided.

  Horses may not be exercised in the car park or horsebox area or among spectators. Whilst exercising, warming up or competing, it is ONLY permissible to use the saddlery allowed under the rules.
- 19. No refunds less than 48hrs prior to the event or after entries have closed. Refunds given prior to the 48hr cut off will incur a £2 admin fee.

If riders have not fully understood our ruling, then please ensure you ask a member of the team before entering.